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HALF A MILLION NOW ON STRIKE

German Workmen Send Ultimatum to Government.

BERLIN THE STORM CENTER

Workers Demand Conclusion of General Peace Without Annexations or Indemnities and Participation of Workmen's Delegates of All Countries in Peace Negotiations—Strike Extends to Kiel Shipyards.

London, Jan. 31.—More than 500,000 persons are on strike in Berlin and the movement is being extended to the provincial towns, say dispatches from Holland.

The Socialist paper, Vorwaerts, announces that the Berlin strikers have now become more numerous and threatening. They have addressed to the government an ultimatum, of which the following are the principal demands:

First, accelerated conclusions of a general peace without indemnities or annexations; second, participation of workmen's delegates of all the countries in the peace negotiations; third, better distribution of food; fourth, immediate abolition of the state of siege and restoration of the right of public meeting; fifth, abolition of military authorities; sixth, immediate release of all political prisoners; seventh, the institution of equal electoral suffrage by direct secret ballot.

The Berlin correspondent of a Copenhagen newspaper reports that the strikers have formed a workmen's council of 500 with an "action commission" of 10 men and women, including Hugo Haase, the Independent Socialist leader, and Philipp Scheffmann, the majority Socialist leader. All the workmen in the Kiel shipyards and in the Vulkan works at Hamburg and thousands of miners in the Rhinish Westphalian districts struck Monday, according to the Berlin Voelische Zeitung.

The grain warehouses of the city of Vienna are aghast and enormous damage has been caused, according to a Vienna dispatch forwarded from Amsterdam. Revolutionaries are suspected of having started the fire.

A dispatch from Geneva reports that there have been clashes between soldiers and strikers in the suburbs of Berlin in which lives were lost. The dispatch adds that the troops in some instances refused to fire on the strikers.

ICE GORGES FORMING AGAIN IN THE OHIO

Damage to River Property at Cincinnati Feared.

Cincinnati, Jan. 31.—Ice gorges have formed again above and below the Cincinnati harbor and river men express the fear that when these gorges break the damage to river property would be as great, if not greater, than that caused by the break-up of the ice yesterday.

Three large steamers were sunk in the local harbor and another was swept away by the ice floes, as were numerous smaller craft. The loss to property was estimated at \$300,000.

W. C. Devereaux, the local government weather forecaster, said he did not believe the river would go beyond the flood mark of 50 feet.

Government lock No. 14, at Heidelberg, Lee county, Ky., was washed out by the Kentucky river flood. Log men have organized to catch 50,000 logs and 100,000 railroad ties now rushing down the river.

Six big towboats are racing down the Monongahela river seeking shelter from a mass of ice which had been let loose when the gorge at Gallatin, near Monongahela, Pa., gave way. They were trying to force a way through the ice field to the coal mines in the third pool when the gorge began to move.

SIX HUNDRED PERISH

Two British Submarines Sunk by Enemy Torpedoes.

London, Jan. 31.—The British transports Aragon was torpedoed and sunk in the eastern Mediterranean on Dec. 30, with a loss of 610 lives, the admiralty announced. A destroyer rescuing survivors also was submerged.

Sinking of the Osmanieh, a mercantile auxiliary, was also announced as having occurred Dec. 31.

The admiralty said the two transports were sunk a day apart. The Aragon carried 2,000 and the Osmanieh 800 men. The admiralty announced that since the start of the war nine British transports had been sunk and 8,000 lost. During the same period 11,000,000 soldiers have been transported.

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BUNCHED PARAGRAPHS

The issue of \$400,000,000 of certificates of indebtedness was heavily oversubscribed, the treasury department announced.

Teaching of the German language will be abolished from all grade schools of Indianapolis when the next semester starts, following action of the school board.

William Platt of Baltimore and Richard Fairhead of Philadelphia, connected with the British Red Cross, were killed during an enemy air raid in the Italian war zone.

Eight husbands since she was 14 years old is the record of Mrs. Cora Ellen "Woods" or "Barnes" at 33, the mother of an 18-year-old boy, under arrest at Washington on a charge of bigamy.

Body of Paul Heald, of the American Mercantile bank of Peru, was found at Lima, Peru in a ditch. The circumstances of his death have not been cleared up. Mr. Heald was from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Two soldiers from Camp Devens were killed outright, a third was fatally hurt and two others were injured when their auto was struck by a locomotive near Fitchburg, Mass.

John Sturaski, an Austrian, arrested at Detroit by postoffice inspectors, confessed that he had written a threatening letter to Henry Ford, demanding \$10,000 under threat that he would kill both Ford and his son.

For selling an excessive quantity of sugar to an individual, D. Nochinson, a wholesale grocer of Paterson, N. J., has been ordered by the food administration to suspend business entirely during the month of February.

Dumaresque Spencer, American aviator of Highland Park, Ill., was killed in France while returning from patrol duty across the German lines near Belfort.

Seven persons are dead, two others are expected to die and nearly a score are ill as a result of an egg-nog party at Francis, Okla., at which denatured alcohol was used by mistake.

Mathey Stenman, 52, Chagrin Falls, O., died while fighting his way through a snowstorm to reach his home, five miles from the station.

Thirty-five bodies have been recovered from the Allan shaft of the Acadia coal company's collieries at St. Lawrence, N. S., in which 87 miners were killed by an explosion.

Roy Brown, 22, is held at Indianapolis on a charge of murder, following the shooting of Peter Christensen, 40, a neighbor, when the young man interfered in a family quarrel.

Barney Dolan, an agent for the Indiana Harbor Belt railroad, and an assistant named Maloney, were shot and killed in a fight with freight car thieves in Franklin Park, a suburb of Chicago.

An American patrol vessel, operating in European waters, ran on a rock while driving through a heavy fog, the navy department announced. The vessel probably will have to be abandoned.

Gas masks of the latest model have been furnished to the Paris police as a protection against gas bombs, in the expectation of air raids on Paris.

Lord Rhonda, British food controller, said that in one week in December submarines destroyed 3,000,000 pounds of bacon and 4,000,000 pounds of cheese.

Frank H. Gould, surveyor general of the department of the interior of the United States, dropped dead at San Francisco from apoplexy.

A sentence of five years was returned at Dallas, Tex., by the jury in the case of Mrs. Katie Ahlers, alias Katherine Trevers, charged with the killing of Phil E. Tucker last October. Carl Glesser and Jacob Frohwerk, editors of the Missouri Staats Zeitung, were arrested at Kansas City for printing an editorial in which it was alleged refusal to perform military duty for the United States was urged.

Two-thirds of the churches at Washington were ordered closed for the next three weeks to conserve coal.

Fire destroyed the warehouse at Camp Bowie, Fort Worth, Tex., with a loss of \$10,000.

Theodore E. Ferris, chief ship designer for the emergency fleet corporation, has resigned.

Senator Charles B. Henderson, Democrat, took the oath of office, succeeding the late Senator Newlands of Nevada.

C. T. Thompson, press committee chairman of the American Defense society, in an address at New York said 14 spies had been shot in the United States since beginning of the war with Germany.

Three firemen were killed and 15 injured under a falling wall when fire swept a large public school in the outskirts of Philadelphia.

Hehine Goldschmidt, said to have been the first bicycle rider in the country to "loop the loop," died at New Haven, Conn., of accidental gas poisoning.

Federal government urges that road work in 1918 be confined to maintenance and completion of big ways important to the war for moving commodities.

Robert A. Grove and Alice Zugart were killed, four others were seriously injured and 16 slightly hurt when a streetcar struck a big sleigh near Harrisburg, Pa.

Despondent because her husband left her for another woman, Mrs. Josephine Panzella, Chicago, bathed and carefully dressed three of her children, laid down with them on the bed and turned on the gas. When Matthew Panzella, her father-in-law, came home, he found all four dead.

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1,000,000 MEN READY TO SAIL

Baker Declares 500,000 Will Be in France Soon.

SECRETARY REPLIES TO CRITICS

Appears Before Senate Military Committee and Answers Charges That the Government Has Broken Down Preparing for War—Instances of Inefficiency Cited by Chamberlain Included, Not General, He Says.

Washington, Jan. 29.—The United States will have an army of 500,000 men in France early this year, with 1,000,000 more trained and equipped ready to follow as quickly as ships can be provided to carry them and the outlook for ships is not unpromising. So declared Secretary of War Baker in his statement before the senate military committee.

For hours the secretary addressed the committee and a crowd, including many members of both houses of congress, gathered in a big hearing room of the senate office building. He spoke extemporaneously, beginning with details of the mammoth task of building an army of 1,500,000, answering such complaints of inefficiency as were cited by Senator Chamberlain in his recent speech and declaring that such instances were isolated and not general.

Then, toward the end of the statement, the secretary delivered a dramatic general statement of the American war plan, telling of the coming of the allied missions, of the day and night conferences with men from the scene of battle, in which the plans now being executed were adopted, and of success beyond the most sanguine expectations in building the army, and its industrial supports at home, transporting men across the ocean, constructing railroads in France and preparing to strike the enemy with every resource at the country's command.

When Mr. Baker closed, it was apparent he had created a profound impression. Chairman Chamberlain said so before he left the stand. There was no attempt at cross-examination.

The secretary paid high tribute to army officers and civilian helpers to the war department alike for their "devoted, untiring efforts to rush war preparations. 'When we have found errors we immediately have sought the remedy,' he said. He took up Senator Chamberlain's recent speech in the senate to "show the instances of delay and neglect Chamberlain quoted were but isolated cases in the midst of a tremendous amount of successful work."

Mr. Baker declared that laxity in the medical service at camps will not be tolerated. Three officers have been dismissed from the army because of negligence in attending sick.

Referring to the ordinance department the secretary said General Pershing himself decided against the Lewis machine gun for land work. He added that a great army was called out before guns were ready for it upon the earnest recommendation of Major General Leonard Wood. Wood declared that the men should need other training beside that in the use of guns, first. Every man in France has his own gun and was trained to use it.

Official reports, based on careful investigation, Mr. Baker stated, show that camp hospitals in many cases are the equal of civilian hospitals and all are in splendid shape. Tonnage is the crux of the whole situation and this country is using French artillery to save ships for other supplies. The allies urged troops before anything else, saying France and England could supply us with artillery.

DR. HARTMAN DEAD

Aged Physician Made an Immense Fortune From "Peruna."

Columbus, Jan. 31.—Dr. Samuel B. Hartman, 88, president of the Peruna company, died at his apartments in the Hartman hotel. Although a man of youthful spirit, the infirmities of age began to bear down heavily upon him early in the winter. His condition, aggravated by acute indigestion, recently became serious. Dr. Hartman's widow and daughter, Mrs. Maribel H. Schumacher, are the immediate survivors. The doctor made an immense fortune from Peruna, after years as a farmer, carpenter and physician. In advertising alone he spent \$12,000,000. He was interested in real estate, banking and live stock, and operated a 4,000 acre farm south of the city.

Senator Hughes Dead.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 31.—United States Senator William Hughes of Paterson died here at a hospital, where he had been a patient for several weeks, suffering from septic pneumonia, resulting from an infection of the teeth, followed by bronchial pneumonia.

Sugar Lines in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—"Sugar lines" were formed here, hundreds of persons standing for hours at a number of big department stores awaiting their turn to purchase half a pound of sugar. Smaller stores, for the most part, reported their stock virtually exhausted.

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SAYS WAR PREPARATIONS GRATIFYING

"Criticism of the government for its inactivity and inefficiency in the war is born of ignorance, stupidity or worse," said Carl Vrooman, assistant secretary of agriculture, during Farmers' Week at the Ohio State University Wednesday evening.

"Our government is not publishing its military secrets to the world. But every division of every bureau of every department in this government is working at the highest pitch of pressure day and night. All that can be said now is the general public is that he results all along every line of American military activity are not only satisfactory, but deeply gratifying. Anybody who expects or urges our government to publish abroad the details of its colossal military preparations is either a pro-German or a fool."

THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Wm. Gottlieb, a well known Celina lady, aged 56, passed away at her home on North Mill street, this city, last Sunday evening, after a long illness. The deceased was born in Lansing, Mich., but came here thirty years ago. Besides the husband, three sisters and three brothers, all of whom with one exception, Mrs. Anna Wertz, of Canton, reside in Michigan.

Funeral services took place Wednesday at the home under the auspices of the Celina Chapter, O. E. S., of which she was a popular member. Dr. Lance delivered the funeral discourse. Interment at North Grove cemetery.

Distribute Coal Shipment.

Marysville, O., Jan. 29.—A 50-ton car load of coal shipped here and consigned to the Marysville board of education was seized by the local fuel administrator and is being distributed to homes in half-ton lots, where families are entirely out of coal.

THE MARKETS

East Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 31.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$11.50@12.25; shipping steers, \$11.75@12.50; butcher steers, \$10.50@12.50; heifers, \$9.50@11.75; cows, \$8.50@11.75; bulls, \$8.50@11.50; fresh cows and springers, \$5.00@14.00; calves, \$7.00@12.00.

Hogs—Heavy, mixed and Yorkers, \$12.00@13.00; light Yorkers, \$11.50@12.50; mixed, \$11.00@12.00; roughs, \$10.50@11.50; pigs, \$10.00@11.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Yearlings, \$12.00@13.00; wethers, \$11.50@12.50; ewes, \$11.00@12.00; mixed, \$10.50@11.50; lambs, \$10.00@11.00.

Receipts—Cattle, 5,000; hogs, 16,000; sheep and lambs, 12,000.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 31.

Cattle—Choice fat steers, \$11.00@12.00; butcher steers, \$10.50@11.50; heifers, \$10.00@11.00; cows, \$9.50@10.50; bulls, \$9.00@10.00; mixed, \$8.50@9.50.

Hogs—Yorkers, heavy, medium and pigs, \$11.00@12.00; roughs, \$10.50@11.50; mixed, \$10.00@11.00; lambs—Good to choice, \$11.00@12.00.

Receipts—Cattle, 4,000; hogs, 3,000; sheep and lambs, 1,000; calves, 150.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 31.

Cattle—Steers, \$12.00@13.00; heifers, \$11.50@12.50; cows, \$11.00@12.00; top calves, \$10.50@11.50.

Hogs—Heavy, \$11.00@12.00; light Yorkers, \$10.50@11.50; mixed, \$10.00@11.00; top lambs, \$10.50@11.50.

Receipts—Hogs, 5,000; sheep and lambs, 200; calves, 200.

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 31.

Cattle—Steers, \$12.00@13.00; heifers, \$11.50@12.50; cows, \$11.00@12.00; calves, \$10.50@11.50; mixed, \$10.00@11.00; top lambs, \$10.50@11.50.

Hogs—Heavy, \$11.00@12.00; light Yorkers, \$10.50@11.50; mixed, \$10.00@11.00; top lambs, \$10.50@11.50.

Receipts—Cattle, 4,000; hogs, 3,000; sheep and lambs, 1,000; calves, 150.

Wheat, \$2.20; corn, \$1.80; oats, \$0.90; clover seed, old \$1.50, new \$1.75.

COURT MATTERS

The First National Bank of Celina vs. Anthony & Seltz and Mary F. Seltz his wife; Myrtle C. Kefer and C. D. Kefer, her husband and The Farmers' Bank of Celina is a case filed in Common Pleas Court last Friday. Plaintiff claims that the sum of \$2,500 is due them on a note secured by certain tracts of real estate; that C. D. Kefer, The Farmers' Bank at Celina and Anthony Seltz claim certain lien and claims on the land which plaintiff asks them to set the nature of and amounts. Plaintiff asks for all proper relief.

Ben F. Adams, through his attorney, F. V. Short, last Saturday filed suit in divorce against his wife, Effie Adams. Plaintiff asserts that six years ago defendant left him and has been purposely and willfully absent ever since.

IN PROBATE COURT

J. Mills Richards, appointed guardian of Joseph Emery Jones and Evelyn Jones, minors.

Rosa Vagades appointed administratrix of the estate of Sebastian J. Vagades, deceased. Inventory and appraisal Jan. 28.

Joseph Johnston, executor of the will of Tisha Johnston, deceased, filed final account. For hearing Feb. 28.

Ella Coll, administratrix of the estate of Andrew Coll, deceased filed inventory and appraisal. Also public sale bill of personal property sold.

Last will and testament of Amanda Ore duly admitted to probate and record.

Isabel B. Kehn, executrix of the will of Mina Kuhn, filed final partial account. For hearing Feb. 28.

Nelson Moffet, guardian of Dwight Davis, filed final account. For hearing Feb. 28.

EX-MARSHAL TOM HOUSER PASSES

Ex-Marshals Thos. H. Houser, one of the best known characters of this city and county, died last Friday after several weeks' illness. Death was due to Bright's disease. He was born in this city 63 years ago, and was a brother of the late ex-Sheriff Geo. Houser. His wife survives him.

He first came into notoriety and his name connected with a murder back in the late seventies, when a man named Chesman was called out of the rear door of a saloon just north of where the McGuffey barn now stands and murdered. While city marshal several years ago he again got an unsavory reputation when one John Dilly was murdered at a notorious resort at the foot of Main street, a saloon and house of ill-fame, known as the Lakeside House, run by Millie Quigg, with whom he was known to be on intimate terms. Dilly's body was found in the reservoir. Funeral services were held Wednesday from his late home on East Fulton, with interment in North Grove cemetery.

FRED DIENER IS SERIOUSLY HURT

Night Policeman Fred Diener of this city, met with a serious if not fatal accident last Wednesday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock. Mr. Diener was assisting in cutting down a tree at the John McKimran home on West Fayette street, where the accident occurred. One of the big limbs of the tree had been sawed almost through and ropes had been attached to it to pull it over. Mr. Diener took one of the ropes and ascended a ladder which was placed against the house. When the limb fell it struck the ladder, breaking it and throwing Mr. Diener several feet in the air. He fell across a wire fence, which tore a ten-inch gash across his side and abdomen. His right knee was dislocated, the leg broken and three ribs fractured.

Drs. Brumm and Miller were called and he was removed to his home on Lisle street. After an examination the physicians found his condition so serious that a specialist, Dr. Huntley of Lima, was summoned. The specialist, assisted by Drs. Brumm and Miller, operated on Mr. Diener about midnight. A nurse from Lima is now in charge of the case.

Last reports from Mr. Diener's bedside was that he was resting as well as could be expected, but his condition is nevertheless critical.

Edward Diener, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hole and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hole, of Toledo, were called here by Mr. Diener's serious condition.

NEPTUNE

The quarantine for scarlet fever was lifted Saturday from the home of Willis Townsend.

Eugene Townsend, who is confined to the home of his grandmother with scarlet fever, is improving.

Several families are near to suffering from the lack of fuel.

Mrs. J. C. Ponder, of Sullivan, Ill., who has been visiting relatives here returned to her home, Wednesday.

Mrs. Kinkley and Mrs. J. C. Ponder visited with their brother, L. A. Hall, Tuesday.

The Sunday school at the Church of God will be held Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Literary program at the high school, Friday afternoon. The students are taking interest in the literary societies. The patrons of the school should attend these programs and encourage the pupils.

A male quartette is practicing. A treat is in store for us.

At the farm bureau meeting in this city, tomorrow, a county agent will be in prominence, to enlighten skeptic farmers and help promote the farm agent movement.

To Increase Pork Production.

Columbus, Jan. 30.—"Pork increase" pledge cards are being distributed for signatures among persons attending farmers' week at Ohio State university. The pledge cards are collected by the animal husbandry department of the university which then offers its assistance to the signers in carrying out the program. Farmers displayed no hesitancy in signing the pledge.

TO SELL SEED COR NAT COST

Repeated tests on the germination of seed corn at the Ohio State University College of Agriculture show that the corn is germinating but from 1 to 60 percent. Most of the corn is testing but 10 percent.

As the result of the seriousness of this situation, the Agricultural College Extension Service is sending out representatives to secure options on corn of known quality. The corn will be purchased with money provided by Congress and will be sold to the farmers at cost.

Beginning the week of January 28, rural teachers all over the state were making tests of the seed corn in their districts. It is expected that these tests will verify the results already obtained, and will indicate where the most acute shortage is to be found.

Persons having supplies of good seed corn for sale are urged to advertise it in this local paper as well as farm papers, and to communicate with the Agricultural Extension service, Columbus, Ohio.

THE WEEKLY WAR REVIEW

Germany and Austria-Hungary made reply during the week to the peace terms of the allies and the United States as recently enumerated by David Lloyd-George, the British prime minister, and President Wilson.

Chancellor Von Hertling, the spokesman for Germany, was uncompromisingly hostile to a majority of the peace aims as put forward by President Wilson, treating seriously in his address those upon which Germany could not come into accord.

Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, was more moderate in his treatment of President Wilson's aims, declaring the president's viewpoint expressed in his latest address to congress showed that there was less incompatibility between Austria-Hungary and the United States than had been supposed.

From the German standpoint, according to Von Hertling, the restoration to France of Alsace-Lorraine is beyond the realm of discussion. Regarding Belgium, he declared that its restoration could be settled only in peace negotiations, but that Germany never had demanded the incorporation of Belgian territory "by violence." Likewise, methods of procedure in the evacuation of northern France must take account of Germany's vital interests and be agreed upon between Germany and France.

The chancellor said the fate of Poland and the Balkans and the readjustment of the Italian frontier lies with Austria, while the evacuation of Russian territory concerns only Russia and the central powers. Germany, he added, considered the integrity of Turkey and the safety of its capital were closely connected with the question of the Dardanelles, which was of vital interest to Germany.

Both Count Von Hertling and Count Czernin thought it obvious that the exchange of peace views with the United States might form the starting point for a conciliatory discussion among all the states which had not yet entered the peace negotiations.

Hope was expressed by both representatives of the central powers that the peace negotiations with Russia would prove successful.

Officials at Washington declare that there is not the slightest probability of a compliance by the United States and the allies with the final demand of the German chancellor for the submission of them of new proposals for peace.

The week on the western front was featured by artillery duels, aerial combats and local raids. On the Italian front the Austrians executed positions along the Piave river, following their bombardment by the Italians.

Heavy artillery duels were reported in a London dispatch of Jan. 23, between British and Germans on the French northern front. Successful raids were carried out by the French in the Champagne sector.

Stockholm reported that a revolution is proceeding in Finland, which succeeded recently from Russia. Bolshevik troops from Russia are aiding the revolutionists, known as the red guards.

Rome announced, Jan. 30, that a successful drive against the Austro-German lines in the mountain region of northern Italy was carried out by the Italians, who captured strong positions and more than 1,500 men. The attack was delivered on the Asiago plateau sector.

German airplanes raided London, killing 47 persons and wounding 169 others. Property damage was not serious.

A dispatch from Rome, Jan. 31, announced that the Italian success has been extended to the capture of Monte Di Val Della. More than 2,000 prisoners have been taken. Two Austrian divisions were almost completely wiped out.

Ohio Aviator Loses Life.

Toledo, Jan. 31.—Second Lieutenant Edwin Donald James, 23, of this city, former Ohio State university student, was instantly killed at the Ellington aviation field, near Houston, Tex. His aeroplane collided in a cloud bank with another operated by Second Lieutenant Carl S. Mather of Paw Paw, Mich., who also was killed.

GENERAL LEONARD WOOD WOUNDED

Explosion on French Front Injures Three Americans.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Major General Leonard Wood, in France on an observation tour, was slightly wounded by an accidental explosion which killed five French soldiers and hurt two other American officers. Secretary Baker announced the accident in this statement:

"A cable dispatch from the headquarters of General Pershing states that an accidental explosion killed five French soldiers and slightly injured Major General Wood in the arm, Lieutenant Colonel Charles E. Kilbourne in the eye and Major Kenyon A. Joyce in the arm."

General Wood's tour would carry him both to the front and to the American training camps behind the lines, but there is no indication as to where the accident occurred.

All of the divisional commanders have been or will be sent to Europe for brief periods. General Wood, commanding Camp Funston, Kan., went over several weeks ago.